

### ABSTRACT

A bracket for supporting an elongated rail with respect to a post includes a bracket body with a rail supporting portion and an attachment portion. The rail supporting portion has an opening defined therein for receiving the end of the rail when the bracket  
5 body is installed. The opening has a central axis. The attachment portion has a first surface and a second surface spaced therefrom. A fastener receiving passage is defined from the first surface to the second surface. The passage is formed by a first bore extending from the first surface part way to the second surface and a second bore extending part way from the second surface to the first surface. The first and second  
10 bores interconnect to form the passage. The central axis of the first and second bores are each generally parallel to the central axis in the opening. The axis of the first and second bores are offset with respect to one another by a distance greater than half the difference in their widths.